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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the ☒ Utility ☐ Design ☒ nonprovisional ☐ provisional patent application of:

Inventor / Application Identifier: **Helmut SCHMETZER**

☒ See Inventor Information Sheet attached

For: **METHOD FOR STRAPPING AND ESPECIALLY LONGITUDINALLY STRAPPING PACKAGED MATERIAL WITH A STRAP**

- ☒ This is a new patent application.
☐ This is the 35 U.S.C. 371 National Stage Application of the above-identified PCT Application.
☐ This is a provisional patent application.
☐ This is a: ☐ Continuation Application
☐ Divisional Application
☐ Continuation-in-Part Application
of prior Application Serial No. ____
☐ Cancel in this application original claims ____ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.
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-- This is a ☐ Continuation, ☐ Divisional, ☐ Continuation-in-part, of Application

☐ Incorporation By Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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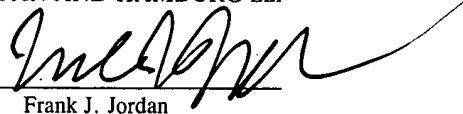
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